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## INFORMATION REPORT

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Harbor Activities

2. A Bulgarian mine sweeper and four Bulgarian motor torpedo boats were in the harbor  
[redacted] No Soviet naval vessels were observed.

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3. A number of Soviet ships [redacted] arrived in port [redacted] and unloaded wire and pig iron bars, four to five meters long and about 10 centimeters wide. These ships then loaded such items as lime and preserved fish. No military equipment was observed.

4. [redacted] near Pomorie  
[redacted] observed two ships in the harbor. One of the ships was of the "SS TRANSYLVANIA" class and the other one was smaller.

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[redacted] the Pomorie harbor is used as a port of entry for military equipment and ammunition being brought to Bulgaria from the USSR. All such cargo is unloaded in Pomorie and freighted overland to Burgas from where it is transhipped by rail to its final destination in Bulgaria.

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Troop Movements:

5. [redacted] the entire

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city of Burgas was without electric power.

whenever large-scale troop movements are undertaken in Burgas, this same policy of a power blackout is practiced.

artillery and tank units left Burgas in the general direction of the Bulgarian-Turkish border, under cover of a similar electric power blackout.

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Miscellaneous

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6. the city of Burgas, observed numerous Bulgarian Army officers but saw no Soviet military personnel.

7. A high steel tower, 15 by 20 meters in size, constructed in the shape of a 3-sided pyramid with the tip enclosed by steel sheeting, is located on a sandy patch of ground south of the railroad station located in the western section of Burgas Harbor. this tower is part of a radio station.

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1. The SS TRANSYLVANIA is a Rumanian passenger ship

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